



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
United States Patent and Trademark Office
Address: COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/416,828	10/12/1999	WILLIAM STEVE AMMONS	27129/33638A	6675

7590

05/20/2003

JEFFREY S SHARP
MARSHALL O'TOOLE GERSTEIN MURRAY & BORUN
6300 SEARS TOWER
233 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE
CHICAGO, IL 606066402

EXAMINER

ROMEO, DAVID S

ART UNIT

PAPER NUMBER

1647

DATE MAILED: 05/20/2003

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

DATE MAILED:

NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION (CPA)
Filing Date Granted

The Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) request filed on 5/9/03 is entitled to a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(d)(1). The CPA request, however, lacks the filing fee(s) and/or items indicated below.

Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE** within which to file the fee(s), item(s), and any surcharge required below to avoid abandonment of this CPA. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The total amount owed by applicant is the sum of items 1(a) or (b), 2, and 3 (if checked) below.

- ☐ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:
- ☐ missing.
 - ☐ insufficient.

(a) Applicant must submit \$ 750 to complete the basic filing fee and the \$130.00 surcharge set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) (non-small entity), or \$ 130 to complete the basic filing fee as a small entity and the \$65.00 surcharge set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) and file a small entity statement under 37 CFR 1.27 claiming such status (if the prior application was entitled to small entity status and such status is still proper and desired, a new small entity statement is not required (37 CFR 1.28)).

(b) Applicant must submit \$ _____ to complete the basic filing fee as a small entity and the \$65.00 surcharge set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e).

- ☐ 2. Additional claim fees of
- \$ _____ (non-small entity) or \$ _____ (small entity) for _____ independent claims over 3.
- \$ _____ (non-small entity) or \$ _____ (small entity) for _____ claims over 20.
- \$ _____ (non-small entity) or \$ _____ (small entity) for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

- ☐ 3. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).
- ☐ 4. The CPA request is unsigned. Applicant must file a signed duplicate or ratification of the CPA request.
- ☐ 5. Other: _____

A copy of this Notice MUST be returned with the reply.

Direct the reply and any questions about this Notice to:

Don Jm

Examining Group 1600

(703) 30 6-0435